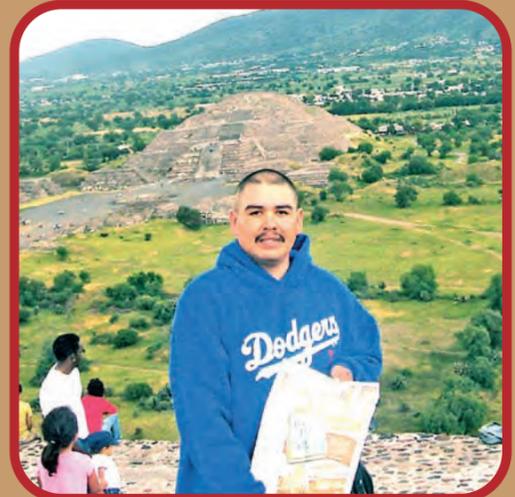
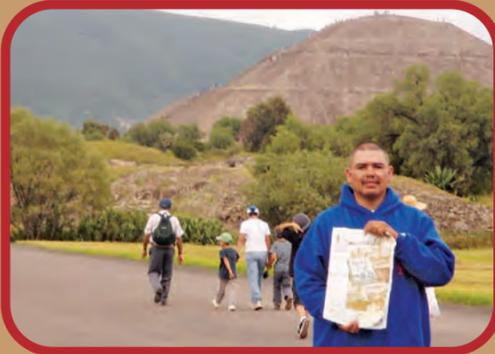


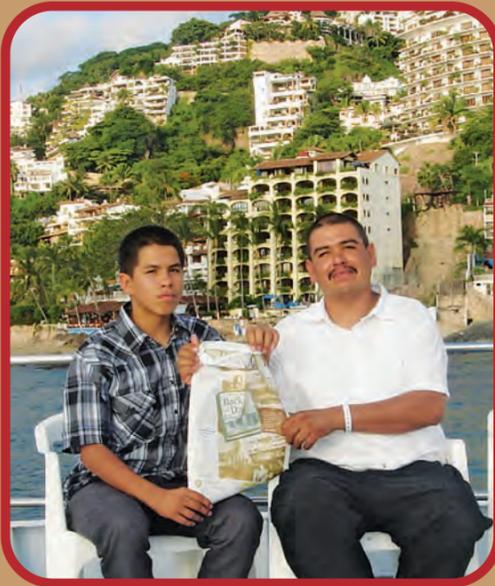


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Mexico



"Here are some photos of my family and I on our summer vacation that took place in August. We visited the Villa of Guadalupe and the pyramids of Teotihuacan in Mexico City, and we also spent our last week at the Sea Garden Beach Resort in Nuevo Vallarta. It's next to Puerto Vallarta."
- Guillermo Perez, Housing



Don't Forget the *Alive!* Around the World Contest!

Contest Rules:

- The contest is open only to all Club Members in good standing.
- Your location must be clearly discernable in the photo. (We have to be able to determine you really are at that location.)
- You must be holding a copy of *Alive!* in the photo.
- All photos must be submitted by the close of business Dec. 15, 2009.
- Club staff will be the final judges of mileage from Los Angeles.
- One winner will be awarded \$100 in gift cards.
- Send your high-res digital photos to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
- We prefer digital photos. But if you must send a paper print photo, make sure you write your name and phone number on the back. Drop it off in person, or send to: *Alive!* Around the World, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 120 W. Second St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

Win! \$100 in Gift Cards

How far from Los Angeles can you take your *Alive!*?

In honor of *Alive! Around the World's* fifth anniversary in September, we're creating a contest. How many miles from Los Angeles can you take your issue of *Alive!*? The Club Member who submits the photo with *Alive!* that's the farthest from the City of Los Angeles, will win \$100 in gift cards.

It's not about danger or adventure, so there's no need to go to extremes. It's just about miles and fun. Any Club Member can play.

Submit your entry by Dec. 15, 2009, and we'll include the winner in the January 2010 issue of *Alive!*

Have fun!

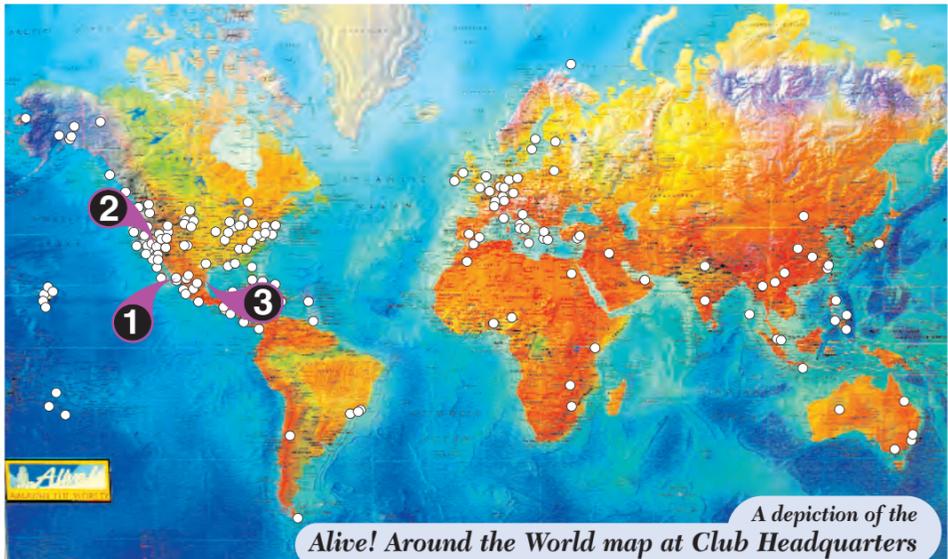
Alive! AROUND THE WORLD



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Here's **Larry Patrich**, one of the supervisors at the DWP's **Owens Lake Dust Mitigation Project**. Larry is standing in the middle of what used to be a 110-square-mile lake. See the feature, elsewhere in this issue.



Take the Club with you, wherever you go! Club members are a well-traveled bunch. Bring your copy of *Alive!* with you. Snap a photo with you holding a copy, send it in, and we'll publish it. Send to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

When you send digital photos through the Internet, please send the full, original digital file yourself, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print. We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!

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"My wife, Tiffany, and I took our very first well-deserved vacation after 10 years of marriage and three kids. We left them at home with my mom, Donna, and enjoyed some quiet time to ourselves. We went to Cancun, Mexico. We went snorkeling at Xel Ha, a natural lagoon water park. It was beautiful. We also visited Tulum, a Mayan ruin. Beautiful sites."

- **Larry Ly, Public Works/Sanitation**

